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RE: Non-Provisional Patent  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE  
COMM. - DATED 04/27/06

Dear Mr. Edell:

First may I apologize for the lateness of my reply. It was unavoidable due to the fact that I was in the process of a very large move from Pennsylvania to North Carolina. When I received your Office communication I was in the midst of selling my home, having very little time to pack and make arrangements for an out of state move and then having to put my files and records in storage while I was residing in a motorhome in North Carolina. It was not until recently that I was settled in a new home and was able to retrieve my files and paperwork, therefore making it almost impossible to respond within the allowed period of time.

I do enclose a check in the amount of \$510.00 which I believe is the required late fee, however, if at all possible, based on my circumstances, I was wondering if the fee could be waived in this instance. As a small inventor, funds are not plentiful and I thank you for any consideration that may be possible.

I also want to thank you for your patience and your phone consultations in the past.

This is in response to your office communication dated April 27, 2006. I have enclosed what I am hoping will cover all rejections and concerns as well as what I believe are new teachings over prior art.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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